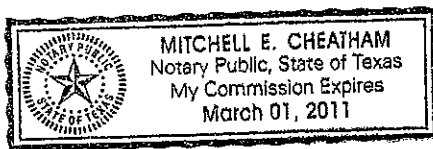


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I, Tiffany Cox, being duly sworn, depose and say that I am the Advertising Clerk of the Publisher of THE WALL STREET JOURNAL, a daily national newspaper published and of general circulation in the City and County of New York, New York, City of Naperville, DuPage County, Illinois, and in the city and County of Dallas, Texas and that the attached Notice has been regularly published in THE WALL STREET JOURNAL for national distribution for one insertion(s) on the following date(s): 9/19/07 at the request of advertiser: Veeco Instruments and that the foregoing statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Tiffany Cox", written over a horizontal line.

Sworn to before me this
15th day of Oct. 2007

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Mitchell E. Cheatham", written over a horizontal line.
Notary Public

Dated: September 19, 2007

BY ORDER OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

A copy of the procedures and documents can be obtained from the LLC's attorney, Jeffrey Levine, of Adler Freeborn & Tait LLP, 270 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10016. E-mail: levinej@adlerfreeborn.com. The certified check for \$250,000 payable to "Wolf Halde Freeman & Co." was made sometime after the auction sale. The LLC will use such proceeds against the claims with the bankruptcy trustee pending to be heard 90 days from the date of the filing.

The LLC has no other guaranties regarding the Co-operators' debt to MFY LLC or its affiliates. Eric B. Levinson, Wolf Halde Freeman & Co., 270 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10016. Tel.: 212.545.4100.


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